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Feds mum on protection for vaccine makers

SWINE FLU The Public Health Agency of Canada will not reveal whether drug companies are shielded from H1N1 flu vaccine lawsuits in this country like they are in the United States.

"This is a complex issue, which is currently being examined by the federal government," spokeswoman Nadia Mostafa said.

That effectively throws a shroud over Ottawa's arrangement with pharmaceutical giant GlaxoSmithKline, which has a contract to produce 50.4 million doses of pandemic vaccine at its Quebec facility.

It's possible that some people will suffer harmful side-effects from the vaccine. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Emmy Awards

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Tina Fey and Alec Baldwin, stars of the NBC sitcom 30 Rock, pose in the press room with her Emmy for Outstanding Comedy Series and his for Outstanding Lead Actor in a Comedy Series at the 61st Primetime Emmy Awards yesterday in Los Angeles. More coverage, page 14.

Wind tower construction set to begin

Grouse spire to open next year

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Sharp-eyed Vancouver residents may spot a steel spire forming atop Grouse Mountain this week as construction begins on a massive one-of-a-kind wind turbine.

Construction on the 65-metre tower will begin Wednesday on the peak of the popular tourist destination.

In Vancouver yesterday, people on the street were generally supportive of the project, saying the turbine would be less of an eyesore and more a positive icon of alternate power.

"It'll be shinning example for the whole city," said James Gillis, outside the Vancouver Public Library yesterday.

"Everyone will be able to see it and begin thinking about alternative energy."

Elena Pederson in Vancouver said she supports the idea as long as it is environmentally sound and doesn't bother area residents.

The turbine, which was approved last October by the District of North Vancouver, has been dubbed the "Quiet Revolution" by the mountain. It will generate 1.5 megawatts, enough to cover 25 per cent of the mountain's electricity usage, and double as a tourist attraction.

"This wind turbine will be the first in the world to have an elevator inside the tower that accesses a viewpod able to hold up to 37 people," said William Mbaho, a spokesman for Grouse Mountain.

When it opens in early 2010 (ahead of the Winter Olympics), the turbine will offer panoramic views of the city and an up-close look at the spinning blades. The cost of admission will be announced closer to its opening.

"This is really a statement about the viability of wind energy," Mbaho said.

Councillor worries over park board 'emasculation'

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HIRING Vancouver's park board should be able to hire its own general manager, the city's lone NPA councillor said.

Suzanne Anton said she is concerned about the "emasculation" of the Vancouver Park Board following an email from the city manager suggesting that she would help choose the new park GM.

The board's chair, however, Vision Park commissioner Raj Hundal, said there is no threat to the park's autonomy and it would choose its own general manager to replace retiring GM Susan Mundick.

"The hiring of the general manager will be done by the park board, consisting of all the commissioners," Hundal said.

Anton, who put forward a late motion on Friday, said she is concerned by the fact that the park board took a $3.6-million budget hit this year, "and we did not see or hear from the chair saying that was a bad idea."

She accused the commissioners of being part of the "mayor's team" and failing to speak independently for the park board.

Hundal said he'd heard some concerns about the board's future in the face of the city's pending review of shared services, but vowed it would remain an elected, autonomous body.

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Anti-HST rally

About 1,000 people attended a Vancouver rally against the proposed harmonized sales tax this weekend that was led by former B.C. premier Bill Vander Zalm, left. He said he hopes public outrage will lead to a referendum if 10 per cent of voters in each constituency oppose the HST. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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News in brief

MISSING The body of a 70-year-old hiker who was missing for a week has been found on Cypress Mountain. Edward Barry Sharp was reported missing on Thursday. His body was found down an embankment and authorities say he likely fell to his death.

PLANE CRASH The pilot of a small plane is recovering in hospital after crashing into a field in Maple Ridge. The Transportation Safety Board said the aircraft went down after part of its engine blew off. It had departed from Langley airport about 10 minutes before the crash.

CONSPIRACY A 32-year-old Surrey woman has been arrested for allegedly hiring two men to kill her ex-husband. Liza Joylene Belcourt and the alleged would-be assassins Jordon Joseph Doiron, 23, and David Dean Laidlaw, 39, have been charged with conspiracy to kill Richard Noniewicz.

LABOUR A judge has ruled that CUPE 873, the union representing B.C. Paramedics, and its members must return to normal staffing patterns after striking workers refused to work overtime. The Ministry of Health said the overtime ban led to a 30 per cent reduction in ambulance availability.

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'Prince of Pot' prepares for prison

Emery tying up loose ends before beginning up to 15 years in U.S. jail

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Marc Emery says he's spending his last few days of freedom tying up loose ends with his business before being sent south of the border to begin serving a drugs-related sentence.

"You typically miss fresh air and good food, two things that are not available inside federal prisons," said Emery.

This will be his second time behind bars after spending three months in a Saskatoon jail in 2004.

On Sept. 28, Vancouver's Prince of Pot will be shipped to the United States and imprisoned for anywhere from a year to 15 years for selling marijuana seeds online.

KRISTEN THOMPSON / METRO VANCOUVER

Marc Emery hugs his wife, Jodie, in their downtown Vancouver apartment yesterday.

He said around 120 parties and rallies were held in major cities around the world, including New York City, Washington, D.C., and Dublin Saturday to protest his impending incarceration. The event outside the Vancouver Art Gallery drew around 400 people.

"Jodie is alternately crushed and … (moved) by the tributes," Emery said of his wife, who added that the hardest part for her will be waking up alone.

"But I'll be working, keeping busy (working at Emery's Cannabis Culture Headquarters)," said Jodie.

"That's the key to not going nuts," said Marc. "Otherwise you just spend the whole time sentimentalizing."

Emery said he plans to learn French and Spanish in jail, and write his memoir.

"I've got a lot of amusing stories to tell," he said.

RCMP expected to explain email that stalled Dziekanski inquiry

BRAIDWOOD The public inquiry into Robert Dziekanski's death resumes tomorrow with RCMP brass being asked to explain the explosive email that stalled proceedings three months ago.

"When I look at how quickly it (the Taser) was used, I have a hard time believing that it wasn't discussed."
Walter Kosteckyj, lawyer for Dziekanski's mother

The four officers who confronted the Polish immigrant have testified that they never uttered a word — not about the Taser or anything else — as they left their detachment to respond to a report of an agitated man throwing furniture.

Yet, as closing arguments were set to begin, federal government lawyer Helen Roberts revealed an internal email from Chief Supt. Dick Bent that appears to contradict that testimony.

Inquiry commissioner Thomas Braidwood then reluctantly put the hearings on hold and scolded the RCMP for failing to disclose the email sooner.

Walter Kosteckyj, the lawyer for Dziekanski's mother, said the controversial email raised serious questions that won't be easily explained away.

"When I take a look at how quickly it (the Taser) was used, I have a hard time believing that it wasn't discussed," said Kosteckyj.

He added he'll consider asking the inquiry to call back the four officers if he thinks there are still questions for them to answer.

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Motorist shot by Mountie critical

SHOOTING Police on Vancouver Island are trying to determine why an RCMP officer shot a 40-year-old man during a traffic stop in Chemainus.

RCMP said the shooting happened Friday night during what were described as "interactions" between the vehicle's two occupants and the two officers involved.

Police say one officer's gun went off, striking the driver, who was outside of his vehicle.

Police wouldn't elaborate on what the "interactions" entailed.

The man, from Duncan, is listed in critical condition in Victoria's Royal Jubilee Hospital.

RCMP Cpl. Darren Lagan said the man was shot in the upper body and that the Commission for Public Complaints Against the RCMP has been advised of the incident.

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Man holding knife to wife's throat killed by police

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A Vancouver man who held a knife to his wife's throat was shot dead by police.

A 13-year-old girl was in the home at the time.

Police were called to Birch Street around 9:30 on Friday night after receiving calls about a woman screaming.

Officers forced their way into the home, where they saw Eugene Anthony Knight, 46, holding a knife to the throat of his 46-year-old wife, said RCMP Sgt. Peter Thiessen.

One officer shocked Knight with a Taser, which police at the scene later said failed to stop the suspect.

"Two of the officers with 10 years and nine months service with the VPD then discharged their firearms fatally wounding Knight," said Thiessen.

"Knight's wife was not physically harmed and was transported to the Vancouver police office along with her 13-year-old daughter, who was present in the home at the time of this incident."

The Integrated Homicide Investigation Team is investigating the incident, and the Office of the Police Complaint Commissioner has been notified of the shooting.

Fair held to spread health info to Chinese community

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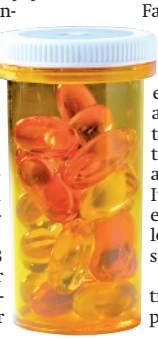
A health fair that focused on, in part, the H1N1 virus was held in Burnaby yesterday for Mandarin- and Cantonese-speaking Lower Mainlanders.

The event, which focused on infections, was organized by immigrants' group SUCCESS and local medical organizations.

"Over the past 18 years, Health Fair has been an excellent opportunity for the Chinese communities in Greater Vancouver to obtain health-related information that might not be available in their languages," said Dr. Susan Kwan, co-chair of Health Fair 2009.



The free event featured sessions on diabetes-related infections, pediatric immunizations, hepatitis, the HPV vaccine and hypertension. It also included 30 exhibitors, and 17 lectures and workshops.

Last year, it attracted 2,500 people.

Federal Green leader wins B.C. riding nomination
Green party Leader Elizabeth May has won the nomination in the B.C. riding of Saanich-Gulf Islands, beating out rival Stuart Hertzog. In last fall's federal election, May unsuccessfully ran in a Nova Scotia riding. METRO VANCOUVER

Ottawa staging separate Olympic pavilion for $10M

VANCOUVER 2010 Games

PROMOTION Ottawa is spending $10 million to showcase Canada at the 2010 Vancouver Olympics.

But the federal government is staging the Canada pavilion on its own, despite a request from the B.C. government to hold a joint pavilion at the Winter Games.

The minister of state for sport, Gary Lunn, says B.C. and other provinces will develop their own pavilions, while Canada's will highlight the entire country.

Lunn can't say what exactly it will look like — with five months to go before the Games, Ottawa will now start looking for bids to put it together.

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Showdown **Family effort**

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Steve Nash, left, of the Phoenix Suns poses with his brother Martin Nash of the Vancouver Whitecaps before the Showdown in Downtown charity soccer match in Vancouver on Saturday. All proceeds were donated to a charity that aids disadvantaged children.

News in brief

OLYMPIC TRUCE Canada will ask the United Nations next month to endorse a so-called Olympic Truce and promote peace during the 2010 Games in Vancouver, even though soldiers from this country will still be in Afghanistan when the opening ceremonies begin.

IMPAIRED DRIVING A 21-year-old is facing charges of impaired driving in connection with a car accident that sent three people to hospital in Vancouver early yesterday morning. The suspect allegedly rear-ended a car near King Edward and Granville Street.

BEACH CLEANUP A mattress and car parts were some of the garbage picked up at Kitsilano Beach for the annual TD Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup. Around 200 volunteers combed the beach to pick up litter that can kill marine animals.

COURT Vancouver's Downtown Community Court saw 1,786 accused during its first year of operation. It hears about 50 cases a day, of which 15 are new.

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Man sets new Grind record

A West Vancouver man has set a new record on the Grouse Grind, hiking the grueling trail's 2,830 stairs in 25 minutes and 25 seconds.

Sebastian Selas, 22, beat his nearest competitor and former record-holder Michael Simpson by almost two minutes yesterday at the 19th annual BMO Grouse Grind Mountain Run.

Simpson previously held the record of 26 minutes and 19 seconds, which he set in 2007.

"I have been doing some altitude training in South America this summer and this is an amazing achievement for me," said Selas.

More than 500 hikers competed in the event, which raised money for the Adopt an Athlete program, a local initiative committed to raising $50,000 for three athletes competing in the 2010 Olympic Winter Games.

Sebastian Selas

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- The Grouse Grind Mountain Run takes most hikers an hour and a half to two hours to climb.

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Quebec bikers slow traffic in protest

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Canada

Murderers appeal convictions

The "evil stepmother" and "coward" father convicted of second-degree murder in what the judge called one of the worst cases of child abuse in Canadian history are appealing their convictions and asking for a new trial. More than seven years after their trial, which detailed horrific injuries seven-year-old Randal Dooley, left, endured as a result of brutal beatings, lawyers for Marcia and Edward (Tony) Dooley will be appealing to Ontario's top court starting today. THE CANADIAN PRESS

News in brief

COURTS A man accused of killing his business partner, two of his lovers and his stepdaughter will be in court today for the start of a trial that is expected to see 200 witnesses called. Charles Kembo's trial and the hearing is expected to last for most of a year. He is facing four counts of first-degree murder for allegedly killing the women and his business partner. He was arrested in 2005.

AFGHANISTAN A public opinion poll conducted for the Department of National Defence says half of Canadians surveyed want their soldiers to return to a "peacekeeping only" role in the world. The Ipsos Reid research suggested there was "a small, but statistically significant increase," in the number of people who feel that way. The figure edged up to 50 per cent of the 1,300 people surveyed last March, compared with 46 per cent of those asked in a similar survey in 2008. THE CANADIAN PRESS

CFB Trenton **Tragic arrival**

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A woman weeps as she is assisted onto the tarmac as the remains of Pte. Jonathan Couturier arrive at CFB Trenton in Ontario during a repatriation ceremony yesterday. Couturier was killed in Afghanistan last Thursday.

Big cash for promos, but not flu awareness

Tories spending more on ads touting economic plan

The Conservative government is spending more than five times as many taxpayer dollars on promoting its economic plan as it is on raising public awareness about the flu pandemic.

Television viewers may have noticed the latest feel-good government ads about stimulus spending, including the Conservative-friendly, anti-election pitch: "We can't stop now," and "We have to stay on track."

All the ads direct viewers to a Tory-blue government website that includes more than 40 different photos of Prime Minister Stephen Harper and refers repeatedly to "the Harper government" — apparently in direct contravention of Treasury Board communications policy.

The TV spots are just the latest $4-million salvo in a $34-million media blitz trumpeting the Conservative's recession-fighting budget. Meanwhile, with public health officials fretting over an onrushing fall flu season, the spread of the H1N1 virus, no television ads are in the works to combat swine flu.

Opposition MPs say the spending disparity in the two ad campaigns simply highlights the obvious: The government is using public funds to toot its own horn.

"Guys, you're spending all this money to promote yourselves. Maybe some work on the prevention of H1N1 would be helpful," Liberal critic Martha Hall-Findlay said.

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Pastor gets life sentence for beating, drugging five girls

A 65-year-old California pastor has been sentenced to life in prison for beating and drugging her five adopted daughters and locking them in a garage. Jessica Banks received consecutive life terms Friday after being convicted in July of sexually abusing two of her daughters and forcing all the sisters to go without food for days. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

World

Edwards fathered child: Aide

A man who once claimed to have fathered the child of John Edwards' mistress says in a book proposal the former Democratic U.S. presidential candidate is the real father and that Edwards worked with his campaign finance chairman to hide that secret. The New York Times said the book proposal by former Edwards aide Andrew Young states he helped facilitate the affair between Edwards and Rielle Hunter, left. According to the newspaper, Young wrote that Edwards once told Hunter they would wed after Edwards' wife, who has cancer, died. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Shoplifting brag leads to charges

CALIFORNIA A couple who went on national TV to brag about making $100,000 US shoplifting toys and selling them on eBay has pleaded not guilty to conspiracy charges. A federal grand jury indictment says authorities seized more than 500 boxes of stolen toys from Laura and Matthew Eaton's home in March. The couple was arrested Friday and faces at least 27 months in prison if convicted of conspiracy to transport stolen property. The Eatons appeared on the Dr. Phil show and said they supported their three toddlers by shoplifting for six years. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Mom, 5 kids slain

The husband of a woman found dead in a Florida apartment along with her five young children boarded a flight for Haiti, and police said yesterday the couple had a history of domestic violence calls to their homes over the past decade.

Mesac Damas, 33, who has family in Haiti, left Miami International Airport on Friday, said Collier County Sheriff's Office spokeswoman Michelle Batten. Sheriff's officials said they want to talk to Damas, who is a person of interest. They were not calling him a suspect. The victims found Saturday were Guerline Damas, 32, and her children: Michzach, 9; Marven, 6; Maven, 5; Megan, 3; and 11-month-old Morgan.

Batten would not say how they died.

"In no uncertain terms, this is the most horrific and violent event this community has ever experienced," Sheriff Kevin Rambosk said.

Damas on Thursday night left Miller's Ale House in Naples, where he worked as a cook. His car was found at the airport and investigators were checking it for evidence.

Court records show Mesac Damas has prior charges for domestic violence against his wife. Roberts said that in January, Damas pleaded no contest to a misdemeanour battery charge against his wife. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Pakistan **Ramadan ends**

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Female Pakistani police officers patrol as women buy traditional bangles in preparation for the Eid al-Fitr festival yesterday in Multan. Eid marks the end of the fasting month of Ramadan on Sept. 21 or 22, depending on the appearance of the moon.

News in brief

VIRGINIA A man who rapped about the thrill of killing remained behind bars yesterday, charged with killing a pastor and likely to face charges in the deaths of three others. Police on Saturday charged Richard Alden Samuel McCroskey III with first-degree murder. The aspiring rapper in the horrorcore genre, which sets violent lyrics to hip-hop beats, was found sleeping in the baggage area of Richmond airport as he waited for a flight.

MEXICO CITY Police started randomly checking for guns in the city's 175 subway stations after a man opened fire in a station, killing two and injuring eight.

COLORADO The arrest of a man on charges related to a terror investigation reveals a murky plot that involved him allegedly receiving explosives training with al-Qaida in Pakistan. Najibullah Zazi was only charged with making false statements to the U.S. government. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Sarkozy trial starts

French president faces off against political foe

Two men who reached the pinnacle of French politics after a career-long battle stand at the heart of a slander trial opening in Paris today.

Nicolas Sarkozy says Dominique de Villepin was involved in a smear campaign known as the Clearstream affair designed to keep Sarkozy from winning France's top job in 2007 elections.

The unusual, complicated saga began with a mysterious list claiming to show clients with secret accounts with Luxembourg clearing house Clearstream, including Sarkozy and other leading French political and business figures. The accounts were purportedly created to hold bribes from a 1991 sale of warships to Taiwan, among other shady income.

40 About 20 witnesses are expected to testify and there are more than 40 plaintiffs in the trial.

Villepin became aware of the list and asked an intelligence adviser for the Defence Ministry to investigate it.

The Ministry determined it was a hoax — but the list was already making the rounds among government and judicial officials.

For Villepin, the key questions in the trial are how much he knew about the list and when he learned that it was fake.

Villepin says he did nothing wrong.

Vitriol has boiled on both sides. Sarkozy reportedly said he wanted Villepin to "hang on a meathook" over his alleged role in the affair. Villepin says Sarkozy is "obsessed" by the case.

The trial runs through Oct. 21.

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Mideast talks to continue

At a time when wide differences are hindering Mideast peace talks, U.S. President Barack Obama will host a meeting Tuesday with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas. The meetings will take place in New York on the sidelines of the United Nations General Assembly meeting. The three-way meeting will take place immediately after Obama meets separately with each of the two leaders, the White House said Saturday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

News in brief

ESCAPED CONVICT Helicopters searched for convicted killer Phillip Arnold Paul after he escaped from a field trip organized by a Spokane, Wash. mental hospital. Paul was committed there in 1987 after he was diagnosed as schizophrenic during the murder trial of an elderly woman.

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Stopping to take stock

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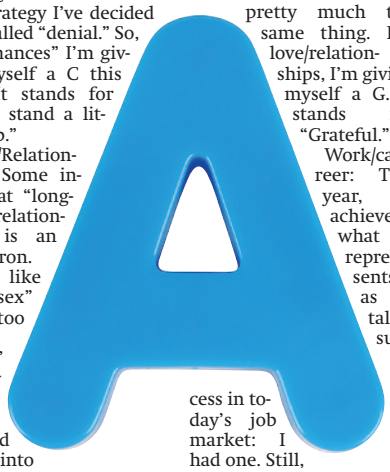
Yes, readers, it's time once again for our annual "My life in review." Some people choose New Year's Day to stop to take stock, but if you ask me, there are two times you should never think about how life is going: a) when you're nursing a hangover; and b) when it's mid-winter in Canada. Which, frankly, feel pretty much the same.

Finances: My local banker has completed a thorough assessment of my financial position and says she's confident that I can retire on my 65th birthday and live in complete comfort. Just so long as I get hit by a meteor the day after. At the moment, my retirement savings are confined to whatever loose change is under the couch cushions. Obviously, it's time for me to adopt a clear, effective financial strategy and stick with it. The strategy I've decided on is called "denial." So, for "finances" I'm giving myself a C this year. It stands for "Could stand a little help."

Love/Relationships: Some insist that "long-term relationship" is an oxymoron. Much like "bad sex" or "too much coffee." As my partner, Liz, and I head into our second decade together, I've come to believe there are upsides and downsides to long-term relationships. The upside is living with someone who knows exactly what you're like. The downside is ... pretty much the same thing. For love/relationships, I'm giving myself a G. It stands for "Grateful."



Work/career: This year, I achieved what represents as total success in today's job market: I had one. Still, many of us hope for more. Buddha said, "Success is not happiness. Happiness is success. If you are doing what you love, you are successful." My version goes: "Paying the hydro bill is not happiness. But it helps." The perfect job is one that addresses both your dreams and your debt. I'm giving myself a B for career. It means, "Still a believer."

Wisdom: Liz's rule for life is, "Act with kindness and care, everywhere and with everyone. Except, of course, when you're playing hockey." I learned two important things this year. First, when the makers of allergy medication suggest you not take more than the recommended dosage, there really is a reason for this. And the only way to change your life is to change yourself.

Overall? I'm giving myself an A. It stands for "Absolutely Still Standing." At least for another year.

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Views

Assaults on transit operators must stop

InTransit

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Imagine if you were you headed to Vancouver Island on B.C. Ferries when, out of the blue, a drunken passenger began urinating in full view of the travelling public — before proceeding to punch out a staff member on board, or even assaulting the vessel captain himself.

Your natural reaction, like the general public's, might range from utter disbelief to complete outrage.

And if a similar incident happened on a passenger airplane? Well, we're all aware of the understandable hysteria that would ensue, not to mention the harsh consequences administered by the criminal justice system.

And yet, when we heard about the same thing happening on a bus in Metro Vancouver recently, we shrugged our collective shoulders in frustrated and angry resignation.

It seems like criminal acts on city transit are more commonplace than ever. Even if the stats don't bear out a massive spike in anti-social activity — assaults are up 13 per cent compared to the year previous — the viciousness and tragic results of some of these acts cannot and should not be brushed aside. The recent dust-up is just the latest in a string of cowardly assaults on bus operators and passengers.

And you can't help but wonder what bus drivers are up against this Halloween. Two years ago, to celebrate the occasion, some teenage girls brutally attacked a female bus driver in East Vancouver, before torching the trolley bus she was driving.

The attacks aren't just an evening phenomenon, mind you. This spring, during the middle of the day, a skateboarder in North Vancouver dangerously latched on to the back of a bus for a free ride. The bus driver was assaulted by the skater after leaving the vehicle to ask him to stop.

All of this begs the question: Where is the boosted protection for transit workers?

Peter Julian, the NDP MP for Burnaby-New Westminster, has been calling for enhanced protection for transit workers for several years now, and harsh jail sentences for those who imperil their well-being.

With his New Democratic Party helping to prop up the Conservative minority government in Ottawa, the timing is right to bring this issue to the top of the agenda. After all, it's a cause that should resonate well with Stephen Harper's tough-on-crime agenda.

More importantly, it will help reduce the ugly punch-ups, spitting incidents and screaming matches that we are all the worse for.

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Worth mentioning

Birth control for poor may help combat climate change

Giving contraceptives to people in developing countries could help fight climate change by slowing population growth, experts said Friday.

More than 200 million women worldwide want contraceptives, but don't have access to them, according to an editorial published in the British medical journal, Lancet. That results in 76 million unintended pregnancies every year.

If those women had access to free condoms or other birth control methods, that could slow rates of population growth, possibly easing the pressure on the environment, the editors say.

"There is now an emerging debate and interest about the links between population dynamics, sexual and reproductive health and rights, and climate change," the commentary says.

9 The world's population is projected to jump to nine billion by 2050, with more than 90 per cent of that growth coming from developing countries.

In countries with access to condoms and other contraceptives, average family sizes tend to fall significantly within a generation. Until recently, many U.S.-funded health programs did not pay for or encourage condom use in poor countries, even to fight diseases such as AIDS.

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Car-free for a day
What a week for environmental events: Aside from the Global Climate Wake-Up Call today and the TD Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup this week (see below), tomorrow is also World Car-Free Day. Ride a bike, walk or take transit! METRO NEWS SERVICES

Going Green

Cleaning up
The TD Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup, which kicked off this weekend, aims to restore some natural beauty to Canada's waterways. Find a local event and help clean up a body of water at tdgcsc.ca. Events run until Sept. 27. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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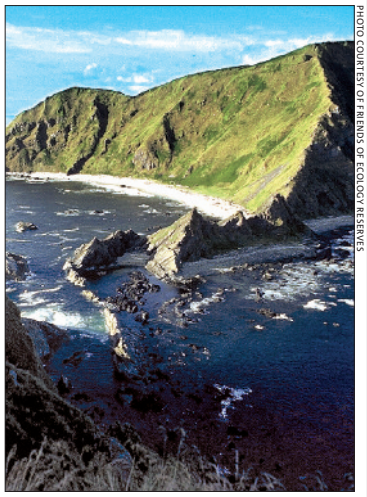

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Tufted puffins nestle on rocks at the rugged and remote Triangle Island, right.

Rugged, raw and remote — the Scott Islands are a chain of five islands just off the northwest tip of Vancouver Island. It's not exactly the kind of place to take an evening stroll. Crashing waves, high winds and treacherous rocky cliffs keep most humans away.

Yet, the Islands teem with life — of the feathered kind. Over two million seabirds call the Islands home, the largest concentration of seabirds in the eastern North Pacific, south of Alaska. But how long will this abundance last?

Because the Scott Islands harbour nationally and globally significant seabird populations, three of the Islands are protected as ecological reserves. While this helps to safeguard nesting sites, the surrounding waters, where seabirds spend up to 95 per cent of their lives, have no protection. It's like giving you a bodyguard, but only for when you're in the bathroom.

Just as you're vulnerable outside the john, seabirds are harmed in the oceans surrounding the Scott Islands: They choke on fishing gear, and bottom-trawling scrapes away their food supply. Oil pollution from ships and floating plastic waste add insult to injury.

For seabirds to survive this onslaught of threats, protection of the land and sea must go hand in hand. By shielding the waters from harmful activities, we also protect one of the largest Steller sea lion colonies in the world, and the many endangered marine mammals that visit the Islands, including orcas, and blue and sei whales.

Canada has made some steps towards protecting the waters, but we need to quicken the pace. Waiting too long would tarnish this provincial, national, and global treasure.

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Feathered facts

- The Scott Islands are home to 70 per cent of the national population and 55 per cent of the global population of Cassin's Auklets.
- 90 per cent of the national population of tufted puffins breed on the Scott Islands.
- The Scott Islands have been declared as an Important Bird Area (IBA) by Birdlife International.
- Introduced rats, raccoons and mink have wiped out seabird colonies on two of the Scott Islands.

Clock ticking on climate change

SOFI PAPAMARKO
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You could spend today's lunch hour in a food court, or you could make a massive political statement.

Today is the Global Climate Wake-Up Call, an international day of action that will prompt thousands of citizens to come together for five-minute flash mobs — all in the hopes of grabbing the attentions of world leaders ahead of a Climate Change Conference in Copenhagen this December.

Greg Boyle is the organizer of today's Parliament Hill Wake-Up Call in Ottawa, which will include participants forming a human clock to show "we are running out of time."

"Global leaders have only three months to get their act together," Boyle explains via email. "We need to show the government of Canada that we are sick of their inaction."

Julia Morgan organized a Wake-Up Call in Toronto after losing sleep over climate change: "That sounds a bit crazy, I realize ... Climate change is really not that external and it's really not that far away."

She's encouraging participants to wear business attire to symbolize that climate change is everyone's business.

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Business

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Stiffer sentences needed for scammers, say victims

Stiffer sentences for white-collar criminals promised by the federal government are only a first step in the battle against Ponzi and other financial scams that seem to grab headlines almost daily, victims say.

They say there's still a crying need for public education, proper enforcement and industry regulation with teeth to combat crimes that can be as devastating for victims as any serious assault.

"It's just as serious or violent as other crime," said Joey Davis of Montreal whose mother lost $200,000 to an alleged fraud by investment dealer Earl Jones.

"It's emotionally violent, it's mentally violent."

"It's just as serious or violent as other crime. It's emotionally violent, it's mentally violent."
Joey Davis, son of victim

On Tuesday, representatives of nine victims groups met Prime Minister Stephen Harper to complain about the anemic fight against white-collar crimes such as Ponzi schemes that have seen thousands of small-time investors defrauded.

Following the meeting with Harper, Justice Minister Rob Nicholson promised legislation this fall that would impose mandatory minimum jail terms, longer sentences and confiscation of assets.

He gave no details, but said the government was also planning to change the rule that allows white-collar criminals to get parole after serving just one-sixth of their sentence.

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Business in brief

BEER There's a legal brawl brewing over the use of iconic mountain images in beer ads. Molson Coors Brewing Company has launched a multimillion-dollar lawsuit in federal court against Labatts, saying the mountain imagery on their new ads for Labatt's Kokanee beer infringes on the copyrighted images Molson uses on some of their products. They are seeking $10 million in damages. Jamie Humphries, marketing director for Kokanee, said the lawsuit came as a surprise because the Kokanee graphic has been used for four decades.

TRADE The world's major powers are repeatedly breaking their pledges not to erect trade barriers an influential monitoring organization said Friday. Since first taking a no-protectionism vow at a summit meeting last November, the world's 20 major economies have been responsible for as many as 121 "blatantly protectionist" measures. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Real Madrid in deep debt
Real Madrid said yesterday that its debt had risen to approximately $514 million, but added it plans to cut the figure to $330 million by next June. Announcing its accounts at its annual assembly, Madrid said its debt has arisen largely through an investment of $494 million, most of which was spent on new players since June. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Sports

NFL's new iron man

Brett Favre, left, set an NFL record with his 271st straight start in the regular season, then threw two touchdown passes to help the Minnesota Vikings beat the Detroit Lions 27-13 yesterday. Favre was 23-of-27 for 155 yards with TD passes to rookie Percy Harvin and Visanthe Shiancoe. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Seattle loses game, QB

Frank Gore kept an eye on the scoreboard as he ran like mad, making sure nobody caught him on the way to the end zone.

And it wasn't even close.

"Yeah, I was looking up there," Gore said with a grin. "I ran all day."

Gore's spectacular afternoon single-handedly re-established the run game for San Francisco.

Gore had touchdown runs of 79 and a career-best 80 yards and finished with 207 yards on 16 carries, and the 49ers beat the Seattle Seahawks 23-10 to take an early hold atop the NFC West standings.

Seattle (1-1), coming off a 28-0 season-opening win at St. Louis, took a big blow, losing quarterback Matt Hasselbeck to a rib injury just before halftime following a hard hit near the goal line by Patrick Willis. Hasselbeck didn't return after completing 10 of 18 passes for 97 yards and no touchdowns. He was taken to a hospital for X-rays and a CT scan. X-rays were negative while the CT scan was inconclusive and Hasselbeck rejoined his teammates for the two-hour flight home.

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Seattle Seahawks wide receiver Nate Burleson, right, is tackled on a punt-return in the third quarter during an NFL affair in San Francisco yesterday.

"It is a rib bruise at this point," coach Jim Mora said. "He's doing much better ... he's feeling much more comfortable. We believe at this point, and it's very preliminary, that he's going to be OK."

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Sports in brief

CFL B.C. Lions coach Wally Buono was driven to tears after his team defeated the Toronto Argonauts 23-17 Saturday night to make him the CFL's all-time winning coach. An emotional Buono talked about his mother, who is battling Alzheimer's disease in Montreal, his deep religious beliefs, and Don Matthews, his long-time friend who previously held the record.

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DALLAS COWBOYS The first game at the Cowboys Stadium has set an NFL regular-season attendance record. A crowd of 105,121 was announced for last night's game between the New York Giants and Dallas Cowboys, breaking the previous mark of 103,467 for Arizona-St. Louis in Mexico City in 2005.

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BLUE JAYS David Price allowed one run over 6-2/3 innings, Carl Crawford hit a two-run homer, and the Tampa Bay Rays beat Roy Halladay and the Toronto Blue Jays, 3-1, yesterday. The Rays are 4-1 against Halladay this year, and became the first team to beat the Toronto ace four times during the same season.

SPEEDSKATING Canadian Charles Hamelin won silver in the men's 1,000 metres while the men's and women's relay teams claimed bronze yesterday at a short-track speedskating World Cup event in Beijing. Hamelin clocked a time of one minute 25.767 seconds. Hamelin and his brother Francois also helped the men's relay team to bronze in the 5,000 metres. In the women's 3,000 relay, Tania Vicent of Laval, Que., Marianne St-Gelais of St-Felicien, Que., Jessica Gregg of Edmonton and Valerie Maltais of La Baie, Que., finished third.

F1 The Renault Formula One team will learn its fate today at a hearing into how its former driver Nelson Piquet Jr. was ordered by management to deliberately crash his car, a life-threatening move that further erodes the crumbling integrity of a sport rocked by scandals and cheating.

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Chelsea takes down Tottenham, Man U wins thriller in injury time

SOCCER Chelsea beat Tottenham 3-0 to make it six wins in a row yesterday and Michael Owen scored Manchester United's winner in the sixth minute of injury time in a 4-3 thriller over Manchester City.

Ashley Cole, Michael Ballack and Didier Drogba kept Carlo Ancelotti's Chelsea three points clear at the top of the Premier League with 18 points as the Blues maintained their perfect start against a Spurs side that has now lost twice in a row.

More scores

- Among Saturday's games, Fernando Torres scored twice as Liverpool won 3-2 at West Ham to move up to third and Arsenal outplayed Wigan 4-0.

Leftback Cole scored with a diving header in the 32nd minute and Ballack scrambled the ball home in the 58th after Drogba's initial shot had been saved.

Drogba rolled the ball into an empty net in the 63rd after outpacing Vedran Corluka.

Man City manager Mark Hughes watched his side rally three times at Old Trafford to make it 3-3 going into injury time and was furious at the amount of time added on by the officials before Owen scored the winner. Owen was left unmarked to score the winner on a pass from Ryan Giggs.

In an interesting note, City's Carlos Tevez was playing against United for the first time since his off-season move.

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Manning gives Vancouver edge in win over Seattle

WHL Neil Manning scored the winning goal and added an assist as the Vancouver Giants defeated the Seattle Thunderbirds 4-2 in Western Hockey League action at the Pacific Coliseum last night.

Manning, a 19-year-old Nanaimo native, gave the Giants a 3-2 advantage on a power play at 1:37 of the third period as he skated across the slot, faked a slapshot and sidestepped a defender before beating Seattle's netminder. The goal capped Vancouver's comeback from a 2-0 early second-period deficit. Sebastian Svendsen, Lance Bouma and TJ Barnett also scored for Vancouver (2-1).

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Maclean's honours U of T

The University of Toronto has placed first overall in Maclean's third annual ranking of Canadian common law schools. U of T ranked first in the categories of elite firm hiring and faculty hiring. McGill University, which tied for second place with York University's Osgoode Hall Law School, was the top school in the Supreme Court clerkships category. Check Macleans.ca for the full list. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Being at the top does not stop harassment

EQUALITY A recent Globe and Mail article revealed that almost 50 per cent of women in positions of power reported experiencing sexual harassment in the workplace — a number much higher than those in non-management positions.

"This makes sense in terms of what we know," said Louise Ripley, York University professor of Business and Women's Studies, "that power is at the root of the harassment. It's not about sex."

Ripley, who teaches a Gender Issues and Management course, told Metro that men often respond to women in power by trying to bring them down. Doing so, she says, is an attempt to reduce their power and establish dominance and boundaries in the workplace. Sexuality is often the approach men take to stake out their position.

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Work ethic, passion drive entrepreneur

RAFAEL BRUSILOW
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Abby Tobias is proof that youth and inexperience don't have to be an obstacle to achieving success in the entrepreneurial world.

The 30-year-old president of event company Sole Power Productions has spent seven years helping produce events for the likes of the Molson Indy, YTV awards, Much Music Video Awards, the CHIN picnic and the Grey Cup and he also donates his time and resources regularly to charity events and foundations.

Tobias started DJing when he was 15 and struck big success at age 17 when he started managing a group of dancers called Boogie Brats.

"I never had a real job. I was doing $50 gigs and I was in heaven. I thought I was rich," Tobias said.

At the age of 23, he started Sole Power Productions in his mother's basement with a few thousand dollars, contracting out DJs to high-profile events. Today, Sole Power produces more than 300 events per year.

Alongside his love of music, Tobias always had a powerful entrepreneurial spirit that he credits for being the driving force in his life.

"I was never money-hungry but I'm definitely success-hungry — I never wanted to be second-best at anything I did. I work harder than most people and I think that's why I have success," Tobias said.

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"I've never read a business book on how to get rich. It ultimately comes down to being passionate about what you do."
Entrepreneur
Abby Tobias

President of the event company Sole Power productions Abby Tobias has built a name for himself as an entrepreneur and avid philanthropist.

Tobias has a degree in Radio and Television from Ryerson University and says he's learned business is all about passion and perseverance.

"I've never read a business book on how to get rich. It ultimately comes down to being passionate about what you do. My passion drives me — I'm that guy that doesn't go to sleep until the day's work is done," he said.

Tobias has worked with charities like the Pencer Brain Trust and POGO, which provide relief and resources for people living with brain tumours and other cancers. He produced Breakin' for Cancer in 2007, which raised $40,000 for cancer research and created the Guinness World Record for the longest break dancing circle (24 hours).

He also started a charity program at Toronto's Hospital for Sick Children that provides musical instruments to kids in need and he frequently donates to the Israel Emergency Fund on behalf of clients.

It's all part of Tobias' belief in good karma.

"I think if you're good to others then they'll be good to you," he said.

Recently Tobias was a presenter on the hit show Dragon's Den, where inventors and owners looking for investors present their business ideas to wealthy judges. While he can't say what his episode, airing sometime in October, is about, he admits he felt a little jealous being on the defensive end of the business table.

"I joked with one of the producers that I don't want to be on Dragon's Den, I want to be a Dragon!"

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Manitoba NDP leadership candidate proposes fast-tracking tuition tax break
Greg Selinger, a candidate for the leadership of Manitoba's governing NDP, says that if he were elected party leader, he would let post-secondary students collect rebates on tuition fees while they were still in school. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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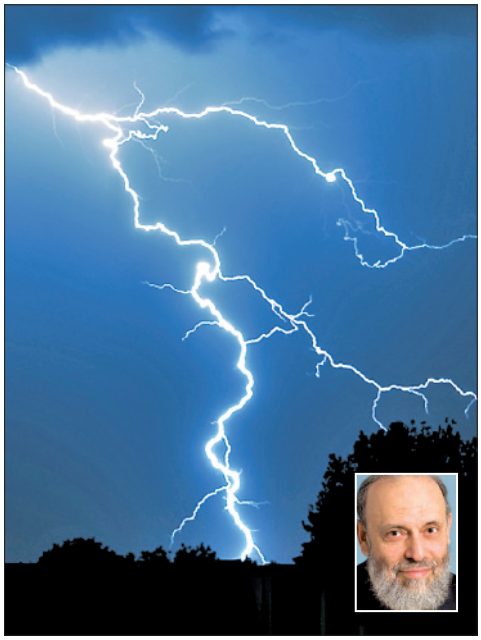
Ali Hussein (inset) has been measuring lightning strikes on Toronto's CN Tower for 20 years.

Lightning can strike more than once in the same spot. Ali Hussein has built a career on this little known truth. He's been measuring lightning strikes on Toronto's CN Tower for 20 years. Since it hits the tower about 100 times a year, there's lots to study.

Originally from Egypt, Hussein studied electrical engineering there. He got a scholarship to study abroad at the University of Toronto and came to Canada to do his PhD in electromagnetics.

When he finished in 1979, he worked in Saudi Arabia doing research for two years, then decided to immigrate back to Canada, since thing were so troubled politically in the Middle East. (He had to pay back his scholarship to the Egyptian government.)

By then, Cold War was in full swing and he found work with Bell Northern, studying electromagnetic pulses. There was a concern, back then, that a pulse could be used to disrupt communications as part of an attack.

But he missed academia. "My best field is teaching and research," says Hussein. He got a position at Ryerson and the University of Toronto, and found himself working with Wasl Janischewskyj, who had been measuring lightning strikes on the CN Tower since 1988.

He's now retired and Hussein is in charge of getting new equipment, organizing grad students to organize the data collected from the tower, writing academic papers and attending conferences — along with his teaching duties at Ryerson.

When Hussein first started measuring lightning, he and grad students would visit the CN Tower late at night, when there was little telecommunications activity so things could be shut down, and would climb up inside the tower above its highest observation deck. They'd scale ladders up into the needle-like tip of the tower to check on their equipment.

Now, the rules have changed and the tower staff do all the maintenance. Right now, Hussein has an electromagnetic measurement system, a GPS (which helps them not measure position, but the time of the lightning), a video camera and a digital camera — which takes 1,000 pictures per second — up in the tower.

Hussein's published data has helped further the understanding of lightning. This information is useful not just for academics, but for engineers who need to know how lightning-safe they need to build things.

And Hussein also says it's part of his job to help educate the public about lightning safety.

The Lowdown

Job title: Lightning expert and researcher
Salary: About $100,000
Education/training: PhD in electrical engineering or electromagnetics
Best Part of the Job: "I really like teaching. Ever since I started working with the CN Tower my love of research has been competing with my original love for teaching."
Worst Part of the Job: "Being busy. That's why none of my six children decided to go into engineering."

Diane Peters once hawked magic pens at the Canadian National Exhibition. She's now a writer and part-time journalism instructor.

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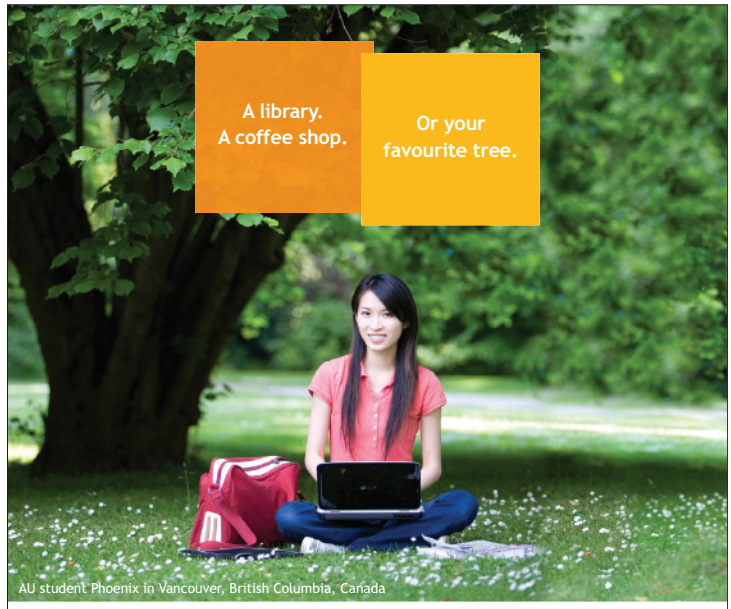

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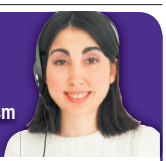
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Back to the Bahamas

John Travolta is returning to the Bahamas to testify against two of the people who allegedly attempted to extort him and his wife, Kelly Preston, in the wake of the tragic death of their son, Jett, earlier this year, according to TMZ. METRO WORLD NEWS

Entertainment

Fergie sued

Pop star Fergie has been hit with a copyright infringement lawsuit over allegations she stole her song Voodoo Doll from a track recorded by little-known reggae group Groundation. FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK

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Series repeat wins

Mad Men and 30 Rock tops again at Emmy Awards

Mad Men and 30 Rock led a pack of Emmy winners who successfully defended their titles at Sunday's show, but the snappy ceremony and a star turn by host Neil Patrick Harris made the evening far from a rerun.

AMC's glossy 1960s Madison Avenue saga Mad Men, which last year became the first basic cable show to win a top series award, won the best drama trophy for a second time.

Emmy winners

- A partial list of winners at last night's 61st Annual Primetime Emmy Awards:
- Drama Series: Mad Men, AMC.
- Comedy Series: 30 Rock, NBC.
- Actor, Drama Series: Bryan Cranston, Breaking Bad, AMC.
- Actress, Drama Series: Glenn Close, Damages, FX Networks.
- Actor, Comedy Series: Alec Baldwin, 30 Rock, NBC.
- Actress, Comedy Series: Toni Collette, United States of Tara, Showtime.
- Supporting Actor, Comedy Series: Jon Cryer, Two and a Half Men, CBS.
- Supporting Actress, Comedy Series: Kristin Chenoweth, Pushing Daisies, ABC.

NBC's 30 Rock, a satirical take on life inside a TV variety show, was honoured for the third time as best comedy series, while star Alec Baldwin won his second award as best comedy actor.

Baldwin, accepting his acting trophy for 30 Rock from Brothers & Sisters star Rob Lowe, joked, "I'll be honest with you. I'd trade this to look like him."

Glenn Close's performance as a ruthless trial attorney on Damages and Bryan Cranston's turn as a methmaking, cancer-stricken teacher on Breaking Bad were honoured with the top drama series acting Emmys, the second consecutive trophies for both.

Michael Emerson, who plays the cruelly devious Ben on Lost, and Cherry Jones, the stalwart U.S. president on 24, were honoured as best supporting actors in drama series.

Toni Collette of Showtime's United States of Tara was honoured as best lead actress in a comedy series for her role as a mother with multiple personalities.

Collette's victory deprived Fey of 30 Rock of winning a second consecutive award in the category. But Fey took the stage a few moments later to acknowledge a guest actor award she received for her Sarah Palin impersonation on Saturday Night Live.

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Actresses Elisabeth Moss, left, Christina Hendricks and January Jones pose in the press room after their show Mad Men won for Outstanding Drama Series at the 61st Primetime Emmy Awards.

Kristin Chenoweth of Pushing Daisies and Jon Cryer of Two and a Half Men won supporting acting Emmys for their comedies.

The Daily Show with Jon Stewart won the trophy for best variety, music or comedy series, its seventh in a row.

Grey Gardens, the story of a reclusive mother and daughter who were relatives of Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis, and the Dickens adaptation Little Dorrit won for best movie and miniseries, respectively.

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Ten acts vying for Polaris Music Prize tonight

It's common for artists to be gracious when it comes to accepting award nominations, but when Hey Rosetta! was shortlisted for the Polaris Music Prize this year, they took their humility a step further.

The St. John's, N.L., band's frontman Tim Baker said he was shocked because he didn't think their record was "worthy."

"I guess we just never thought of ourselves in that sort of league — the real recording artists that really kind of push the boundaries, artistically," Baker said. Not long ago it might have seemed a bit strange for a band to feel unworthy of the prize, but this is the year that a class of Polaris veterans has emerged.

For the first time in the award's four-year history this year's short list includes artists who have been nominated before.

Of the 10 bands or artists vying for the $20,000 prize, to be handed out at a Toronto gala tonight, six have been shortlisted before, including 2007 winners Patrick Watson.

Halifax singer/songwriter Joel Plaskett, up for his ambitious triple album Three, Toronto new-wave band Metric, Toronto hip-hop artist K'naan, Montreal francophone indie-rockers Malajube and Calgary indie pop experimentalist Chad VanGaalen are the other artists shortlisted a second time for the prize, which is awarded by a jury of music journalists and based strictly on merit, not sales.

There are other contenders. F—ed Up — first-time nominees — have to be in the mix for their critically beloved disc, The Chemistry of Common Life.

Metric can't be counted out — they have one of the most commercially successful albums on the short list in Fantasies. Toronto's Great Lake Swimmers are also nominated for their fourth album, Lost Channels.

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Giamatti as King John
Production begins next month on the medieval actionfest Ironclad, and Variety is reporting that Paul Giamatti has just signed on to play King John. The cast already includes Robert Carlyle, Bob Hoskins and star of the show James Purefoy. EMPIREONLINE.COM

Priest faces guilty secrets in Bishop's Man

BookPicks

The Bishop's Man

Author: Linden MacIntyre
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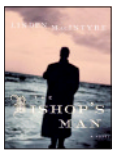

Broadcaster Linden MacIntyre enters the secretive world of domestic religious scandal in The Bishop's Man. In Cape Breton, N.S., Father Duncan MacAskill has acquired nicknames like "Purificator" from Catholic priests for helping the bishop conceal church controversy and get rid of faltering fathers. When the '90s media spotlight focuses on sexual charges against the church, MacIntyre is sent to a remote parish near where he was raised to escape vilification. But, with isolation comes introspection, as MacIntyre evaluates his deeds and is forced to face his imperfections when he falls for a soul-searching woman and encounters a potential victim of the indiscretions he's covered up his whole life.

The Prince of Neither Here Nor There

Author: Seán Cullen
Publisher: Puffin Canada
Price: $12.99 (Paperback)

There's more to the city of Toronto than what's seen on the surface in comedian Seán Cullen's latest novel, the first in The Chronicles of the Misplaced Prince. Ninth grader Brendan encounters difficulty at school where he doesn't quite fit in. But he soon shirks his struggle for acceptance when he discovers a Faerie world existing out of sight of city dwellers. For young Brendan is actually "Prince Breandan,"a Faerie astray among the human world. Knowing his real identity, Brendan must decide between embracing this new world that comes with some negative encouragement for evil or returning to the life he's always known.

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Box office

Following are the top 10 films at the North American box office for the weekend beginning Sep. 18, according to studio estimates:

1. **Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs:** $30.1 million
2. **The Informant!:** $10.5 million
3. **I Can Do Bad All By Myself:** $10 million
4. **Love Happens:** $8.5 million
5. **Jennifer's body:** $6.8 million
6. **9:** $5.5 million
7. **Inglourious Basterds:** $3.6 million
8. **All About Steve:** $3.4 million
9. **Sorority Row:** $2.5 million
10. **The Final Destination:** $2.4 million

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	-	-	10	JOY	Frasier (CC)	The Insider	Daily Weekend Edition (CC)		Poltergeist: The Legacy		Perspectives	Ek Noor (N)	New Day
	252	336	11	GTV	Entertainment	ET Canada	House "Broken" (Season Premiere) (N) (PA) (CC)				Heroes "Orientation; Jump, Push, Fall" (CC)		
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	253	359	13	CITY	The Office	The Office	How I Met	Accidentally	Law & Order: UK (CC)		The Jay Leno Show (N) (CC)		The CityNews
	-	-	14	CW	The Office	The Office	One Tree Hill (N) (CC)		Gossip Girl "The Freshman"		Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Frasier (CC)
	289	381	15	CBS	Entertainment	The Insider	How I Met	Accidentally	Two/Half Men	Big Bang Th	CSI: Miami "Out of Time"		KIRO News
	287	379	16	NBC	Evening Mag.	Inside Edition	Heroes A mysterious death pushes Claire into the spotlight.				The Jay Leno Show (N) (CC)		KING 5 News
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	291	383	27	PBS	Great Performances "Hitman: David Foster and Friends"				Command Performance			Julia Child Memories	
	290	382	23	FOX	Two/Half Men	Two/Half Men	House "Broken" (Season Premiere) (N) (PA) (CC)				(:01) Q13 FOX News at Ten		Family Guy
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Californication
Ch-ch-ch-changes! Again! In last season's finale, Hank (David Duchovny) finishes Ashby's (Callum Keith Rennie) biography, but his celebratory mood is dampened by Karen's (Natascha McElhone) announcement that she's taking a job in New York. Sonja (Paula Marshall) has her baby, and Charlie (Evan Handler) goes to work for a car dealership. Madeleine Martin also stars in "La Petite Mort." 9:30 PM on CEN

Dancing With the Stars
Hosts Tom Bergeron and Samantha Harris return along with judges Len Goodman, Bruno Tonioli and Carrie Ann Inaba, but as always the spotlight is on the "stars" themselves, and the ninth-season lineup is even more hoot-worthy than most, including hoofers ranging from former teenage sitcom witch Melissa Joan Hart to Donny Osmond and scandal-prone former U.S. congressman Tom DeLay. 8 PM on CTV ABC

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Equal rights for all: Charlize

Charlize Theron has no plans to marry her boyfriend of eight years, Stuart Townsend, until there is marriage equality. The actress told The View: "The institution of marriage feels very one-sided, and I want to live in a country where we all have equal rights." POPEATER.COM

Celebrity Buzz

Things are complicated for Avril

COLD FEET? Avril Lavigne and Deryck Whibley, who announced their split on Thursday, seemed like the perfect rock couple. But at the age of 24, Lavigne began to see things differently, sources tell People.

"She married too young and she finally realized that," said a source. "Avril realized she needs her own life and needs to explore things without him."

The couple married in 2006, when Lavigne was 21 — and though it's now over, Lavigne says she's "grateful for our time together, and I am grateful and blessed for our remaining friendship," she wrote on her website.

Another source close to the couple says they were having serious problems for at least six months. But, the source states, the split is "not about Deryck wanting a kid nor is she dating anyone else."

As for rumours that Lavigne got close with oil heir Brandon Davis, the sources said: "There is no romance."

Still, Lavigne was spotted partying in the French Riviera until dawn night after night on Davis' rented yacht, according to Page Six. "She was seen downing shots, drinking booze from the bottle and playfighting men on the beach," a source said. "She wasn't acting like a married woman at all."

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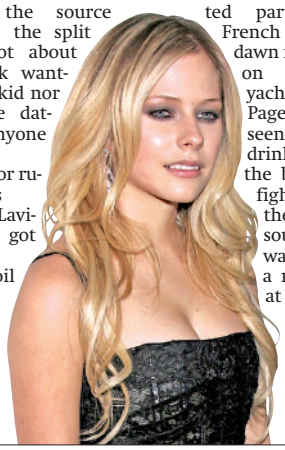

Jessica gives up hunt for Daisy

HOPELESS Jessica Simpson is still looking for her pooch Daisy — who was snatched from her backyard by a coyote last Monday — even though she has a "pretty strong feeling" she won't be found, usmagazine.com reports.

A rep for findtoto.com — which called 1,000 of the singer's neighbours to help find the five-year-old maltipoo earlier this week — tells usmagazine.com they've called off the search.

"We've actually discontinued the search entirely," the company's spokeswoman, Colleen Busch, told Us. "We've contacted Jessica and asked them if they want us to put out more Findtoto alerts, and they don't."

Busch said Simpson and her friends are "trying to be positive but they just have a pretty strong feeling she isn't going to be found. We just didn't get any leads."

On Wednesday, Simpson posted that she was "still holding out hope" of finding her pup — a gift from ex-husband Nick Lachey — even though celeb dog trainer Jennifer McCarthy told Us "she's probably not alive."

Even Martha Stewart has some advice for Simpson. She told Us that Simpson "should have watched it more closely ... she should have been more careful."

Stewart advised the heartbroken singer to "get another dog."

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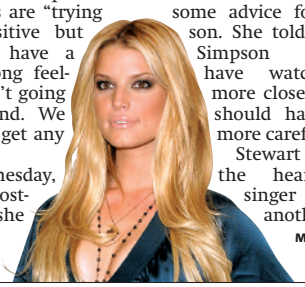

Tragedy spurs Nicole to marry?

PUTTING THINGS IN PERSPECTIVE Nicole Richie wants to marry Joel Madden, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The reality TV star — who has a 20-month-old daughter Harlow and newborn son Sparrow with the rocker — has been deeply affected by the death last month of her ex-fiancé Adam "DJ AM" Goldstein, and is keen for her and Madden to commit to one another forever.

A source told National Enquirer magazine: "Nicole has never been in a rush to get married to Joel. She's so happy with him and their little family that she didn't feel the need to change the way things were between them.

"But when Adam died, she freaked out. She realized life is fragile and short. She doesn't want to have any regrets at all, and she does want to be Joel's wife."

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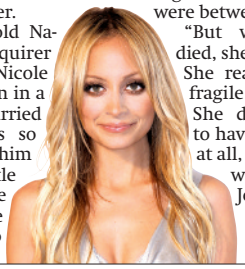

Taylor to pen Kanye diss?

GETTING EVEN Could Taylor Swift write a song about Kanye West's VMA ambush? When asked by Ryan Seacrest this morning, the 19-year-old says she might — but not until she's recovered from the incident, usmagazine.com reports.

"Well, I think that in order to write a song about something, I have to have clarity and be completely sure and I'm not there yet," she said on Seacrest's KIIS-FM morning radio show Friday.

It wouldn't be the first time the songwriter drew from her own life experiences. Last year, she released the track, Forever & Always, about her breakup with Joe Jonas.

Despite West's diss, the Tennessee-based singer said she was "really proud to bring the first VMA home to Nashville. (It's good) to know there's a Moonman on its way to Nashville."

Her moment at the VMAs also brought her new fans.

"I got flowers from Janet Jackson!" Swift said. "It was the nicest card ever — I took a picture of it! But it was really, really nice, and everyone was really sweet to me this week."

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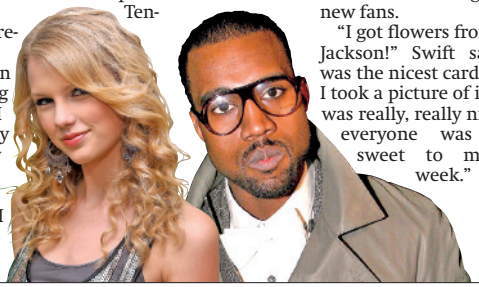

Celebrity tweets

Peter Facinelli introduces Robert Pattinson to Twitter, and Alyssa Milano admits she has a problem.

• @peterfacinelli Thanks a million. Here's Rob... Hi, it's Rob... My first and last tweet. My dad made me do it.

• @Alyssa_Milano My name's @Alyssa_Milano & I'm a Twitter addict. (Just signed my name on an email w/ the "@" and "_" . Don't judge me.)

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Khloe's quickie wedding?

RUSHING THINGS? Though Khloe Kardashian and L.A. Lakers forward Lamar Odom have only been dating for a month, they're already planning their wedding, popeater.com cites several media outlets as reporting.

"Khloe and Lamar want to get married before Lamar has to go away for training, and the (basketball) season starts up (this fall). They are hoping to pull together a wedding within the next two weeks so they can get married and have time for a honeymoon," the source said.

"They haven't decided where they will say 'I Do,' but they are scouting out numerous locations, including Khloe's family home in Calabasas, (Calif.)," the source continued.

E! News reported Thursday night that Khloe, 25, and her basketball beau, 29, have recently been "talking about rings."

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Meet the proud parents

LIFE WITH KIDS Josh Kelley is one proud papa, people.com reports.

"We adopted a baby from Korea, me and my girl, and she's awesome, dude! This girl is the bomb!" the singer, who's married to actress Katherine Heigl, gushed at a concert Friday night in Oxford, Ohio.

The couple posted a photo of their adopted daughter from Korea last week. They named her Nancy Leigh — after Heigl's mother Nancy and sister Margaret Leigh — but call her by her nickname Naleigh.

At his show at Miami University, Kelley introduced a song he had just written about Naleigh, singing the lines, "Just to see you in mommy's arms is all I need."

"It's like I have Gerber all over my knee," Kelley told the audience, "and it doesn't even matter, I love it."

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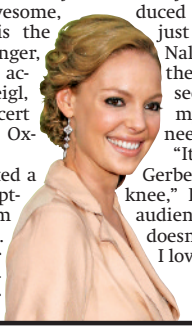

Yoko Ono on Team Britney

CHEERLEADER Britney Spears has come a long way, but Yoko Ono thinks the pop star deserves more respect, usmagazine.com reports.

"I think that the world was not fair to her, and they're just using her and not dignifying her," she told Us. "I think she's a survivor and she's doing very well."

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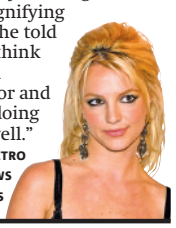

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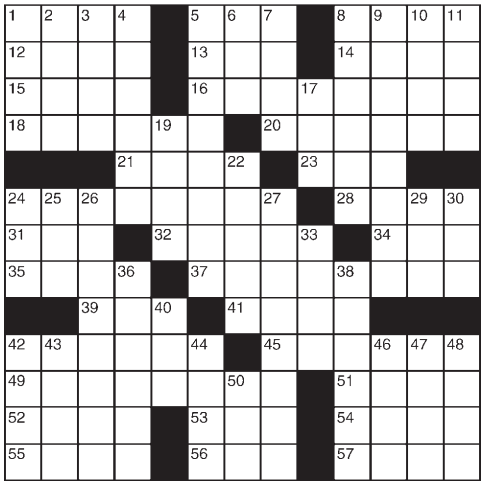

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Sudoku

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HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

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Metro Recipe of the Day

Baked Chicken and Acorn Squash

INGREDIENTS:

2 small acorn squash (1 ¼ lbs/625 g)
2 to 4 garlic cloves, minced
2 tbsp (25 ml) canola oil, divided
4 chicken drumsticks
4 chicken thighs
1/4 cup (50 ml) packed brown sugar
1 tsp (5 ml) salt
1 tbsp (15 ml) minced fresh rosemary or 1 tsp (5 ml) dried rosemary, crushed
1 can sliced peaches, undrained

METHOD:

1. Cut squash in half lengthwise; discard seeds. Cut each half widthwise into 1/2-in. (1 cm) slices; discard ends. Place slices in an ungreased 13-in. x 9-in. x 2-in. (33 cm x 23 cm x 5 cm) baking dish. Sprinkle with garlic and drizzle with 1 tbsp (15 mL) oil.
2. In a large skillet, brown chicken in remaining oil. Arrange chicken over squash. Combine brown sugar, salt and rosemary; sprinkle over chicken. Bake, uncovered, at 350°F (180°C) 45 minutes, basting with pan juices twice.
3. Pour peaches over chicken and squash. Bake, uncovered, 15 minutes longer or until chicken juices run clear and peaches are heated through.

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ARIES ♈
MARCH 21-APRIL 20
Have you learned from recent mistakes? Or are you one of those Aries who believes they can do no wrong?

TAURUS ♉
APRIL 21-MAY 21
You have been at your most dynamic in recent weeks, but the Sun's change of signs tomorrow will bring up concerns you thought had been conquered.

GEMINI ♊
MAY 22-JUNE 21
There is nothing that can stop you from reaching your goals. Believe in yourself and be ready to take risks.

CANCER ♋
JUNE 22-JULY 22
Cosmic activity in and around one of the more sensitive areas of your chart may make you a bit distrustful over the next few days.

LEO ♌
JULY 23-AUG 23
Why are you thinking so much about past mistakes? The only thing that matters, today and every day from now on, is the future.

VIRGO ♍
AUG 24-SEPT 22
It is time to turn your attention to matters of a worldly nature. You are well aware of the value of money so find ways to get more of the stuff.

LIBRA ♎
SEPT 23-OCT 23
A new solar year begins for you tomorrow and what that means, more than anything else, is that you can and must let go of the past.

SCORPIO ♏
OCT 24-NOV 22
On one level today you will be outgoing, but on another you'll be asking yourself questions that no amount of socializing or partying can ever answer.

SAGITTARIUS ♐
NOV 23-DEC 21
You need to take a more relaxed view of friendships, both at home and at work. Treat others as equals.

CAPRICORN ♑
DEC 22-JAN 20
Your voice will carry more authority and people will be more likely to listen to you over the course of the coming week.

AQUARIUS ♒
JAN 21-FEB 18
Venus, planet of love, aspects both Mars and Pluto today, so passions will be running high. Don't fear your feelings.

PISCES ♓
FEB 19-MARCH 20
If you have not thought much about your long-term financial prospects in recent weeks this might be a good time to start.

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3. Identical tennis set part (1)
4. Archer from Italy's capital (2)
5. Sootier saltine (2)
6. British conservative's tales (2)
7. S-troubled speaker's hushed asides (2)

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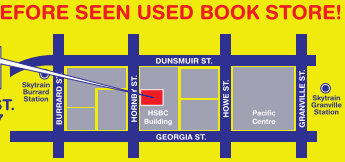

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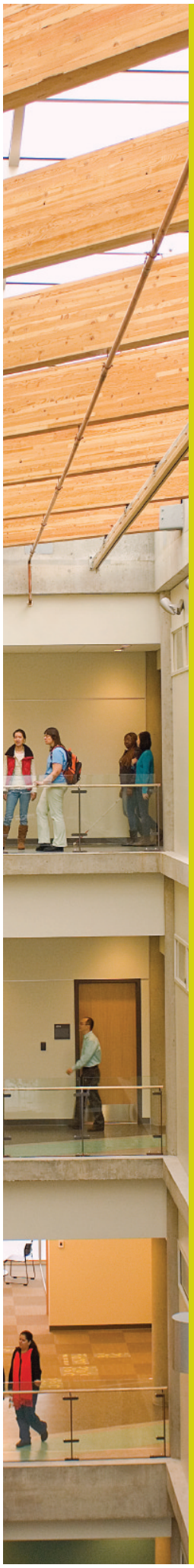

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